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	6	4,492,232	1/8/85	Green			
	7	4,534,351	8/13/85	Rothfuss, et al.			
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	9	5,176,128	01/05/93	Andrese			
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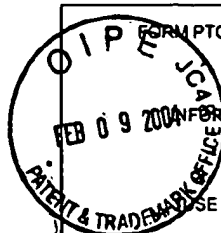
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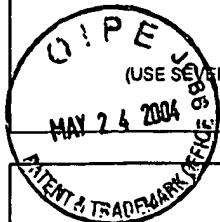
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